HRSA’s Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program

- Supports the Wisconsin Home Visiting Program and provides voluntary, evidence-based home visiting programs for at-risk pregnant women and families with children through kindergarten entry
- Builds upon decades of scientific research showing that home visits by a nurse, social worker, early childhood educator, or other trained professional during pregnancy and in the first years of a child’s life helps prevent child abuse and neglect, supports positive parenting, improves maternal and child health, and promotes child development and school readiness

**Wisconsin MIECHV Program At-a-Glance**

- **Rural counties:** Adams, Ashland, Barron, Burnett, Clark, Forest, Jackson, Jefferson, Juneau, Lafayette, Langlade, Lincoln, Manitowoc, Oneida, Polk, Rusk, Sauk, Sawyer, Taylor, Trempealeau, Vilas, Walworth, Washburn
- **Non-rural counties:** Brown, Dane, Green, Kenosha, La Crosse, Milwaukee, Pierce, Racine, Rock, Saint Croix, Waukesha, Winnebago

**Wisconsin Targets Community Needs**

MIECHV Program awardees serve high-risk populations. Awardees tailor their programs to serve populations of need within their state.

- 91.9% of households were low income
- 41.7% of households included someone who used tobacco products in the home
- 40.6% of households included someone with low student achievement

**Wisconsin Performance Highlights**

- **Behavioral Concern Inquiries:** Caregivers were asked if they had any concerns regarding their child’s development, behavior, or learning in 98.8% of postpartum home visits
- **Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Screening:** 93.6% of caregivers enrolled in home visiting were screened for IPV within 6 months of enrollment
- **State of Wisconsin Strategic Planning:** A five-year strategic blueprint was developed outlining the new Mission and Vision for Wisconsin Home Visiting. Goals and strategies were developed around four domains: Family-Centered; Growth and Sustainability; Quality Workforce; Learning and Improvement

**Evidence-Based Home Visiting Models in Wisconsin**

- Early Head Start-Home-Based Options
- Healthy Families America (HFA)
- Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP)
- Parents as Teachers (PAT)